

tinue such cause for a period not exceeding sixty days for the purpose of enabling the owner of said dog to make such compensation or reimbursement.

SEC. 3. The fact that any dog has been found running at large in violation of the preceding section shall, when established, be *prima facie* evidence of the intent of the owner of the dog to violate the provisions of this act. Dog running at large *prima facie* evidence of intent to violate act.

SEC. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 22d day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 108

AN ACT TO FIX SALARY OF THE SHERIFF OF MCDOWELL COUNTY.

WHEREAS, chapter five hundred and seventeen of the Public-Local Laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen presupposes that the salary of the sheriff of McDowell County was provided for in addition to the authority therein given to the county commissioners, and

WHEREAS, no salary is fixed by law for the said sheriff.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the salary of the sheriff of McDowell County be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) per annum, payable in equal monthly installments, and such fees as are now payable to sheriffs under the general law for performance of their duties, and such further amount as the county commissioners of McDowell County may pay to the sheriff under and by virtue of the authority of section one, chapter five hundred and seventeen of the Public-Local Laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen. Salary of sheriff to be fixed at \$600 and fees.

SEC. 2 The board of county commissioners of McDowell County are hereby authorized and directed to pay to the sheriff of said county the salary of six hundred dollars, as hereinbefore provided, in equal monthly installments, in addition to such amount as may be paid under the authority given to the county commissioners by said chapter five hundred and seventeen of the Public-Local Laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen. Commissioners may increase salary.

SEC. 3. That the provisions of this act and of chapter five hundred and seventeen of the Public-Local Laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen shall be and remain in effect until the first Monday in December, A. D. nineteen hundred and twenty, but the sheriff elected at the general election in the year of nineteen hun- Specific authority given commissioners.

Act operative until December 1, 1920.